PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

DATE: April 6, 2006

CALLED TO ORDER: 5:05 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 6:16 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDING MEMBERS
Lonnell Conley, Chairman
Patrice Abduallah
Mary Moriarty Adams
Ginny Cain
Scott Keller
Dane Mahern

Angela Mansfield

ABSENT MEMBERS
Jim Bradford
Michael Speedy

AGENDA

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 199, 2006</u> - reappoints Leon E. Bates to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

"Do Pass" Vote: 6-1

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 200, 2006</u> - reappoints Herb Bazemore to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

"Postponed" Vote: 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 201, 2006 - reappoints Mark F. Remreich to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee "Do Pass"

Vote: 6-1

PROPOSAL NO. 202, 2006 - reappoints Sue Schalk to the Board of Public Works "Do Pass" Vote: 7-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 203, 2006</u> - authorizes 20-minute loading zones on the southwest quadrant of Monument Circle, on the south side of West Market Street from Monument Circle to North Illinois Street and on the west side of South Meridian Street from Monument Circle to West Washington Street (District 15)

"Postponed" Vote: 7-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 204, 2006</u> - authorizes the Department of Public Works to test new parking meter technology on designated City streets notwithstanding certain provisions of the Revised Code regarding parking meters (Districts 3, 15)

"Do Pass" Vote: 7-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 205, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the Crooked Creek Villages West Subdivision, Section 7 (District 2)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 206, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the Hawthorne Meadows Subdivision, Section 1 (District 1)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 207, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the intersection of 88th Street and Cholla Road (District 3)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 208, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the intersection of Sherman Drive and Sunny Lane (District 4)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 209, 2006</u> - authorizes a change in intersection controls for the intersection of 42nd Place and Aspen Way (District 12)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 210, 2006</u> - authorizes a multi-way stop at the intersection of 25th Street and Pennsylvania Street (District 15)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 211, 2006</u> - authorizes multi-way stops at the intersections of 23rd Street and Talbott and 24th Street and Talbott (District 15)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 212, 2006</u> - authorizes parking meters on East Street between Wabash Street and Ohio Street (District 15)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 213, 2006</u> - authorizes parking restrictions on Harlan Street between Spann Avenue and English Avenue (District 16)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 214, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the Bells Run Subdivision, Section 1 (District 18)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 215, 2006</u> - authorizes intersection controls for the intersection of Boyd Avenue and Gimber Street (District 20)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 216, 2006</u> - authorizes a change in the speed limit on Hanna Avenue between Brushwood Road and Lynhurst Drive (District 22)

"Do Pass" Vote: 5-0

PROPOSAL NO. 217, 2006 - authorizes a change in intersection controls for the intersection of Cresthaven Drive and Moonglow Lane (District 23)
"Do Pass"

Vote: 5-0

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The Public Works Committee of the City-County Council met on Thursday, April 6, 2006. Chair Lonnell Conley called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. with the following members present: Patrice Abduallah, Mary Moriarty Adams, Dane Mahern, Scott Keller, Ginny Cain and Angela Mansfield. Absent were Jim Bradford, and Michael Speedy

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 199, 2006</u> - reappoints Leon E. Bates to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

Leon Bates stated that he got on to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) by accident, but the sight and smell is enough to keep him involved with trying to make things better. He said that he has been on the committee for two years.

Councillor Abduallah asked what the purpose is of the Stormwater management TAC. Mr. Bates stated that the purpose of the committee is to establish some ground rules on how to deal with stormwater. Councillor Abduallah asked how often the committee meets. Mr. Bates stated that they have not met in almost a year.

James Garrard, Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), stated that the stormwater district is countywide, with Indianapolis being the lead. The stormwater district also included representatives from the excluded cities.

Councillor Abduallah asked why the committee has not had any meeting. Mr. Garrard stated that the committee has not met in a while due to no revenue. He said that the first few meetings were to come up with some projects to deal with stormwater. The committee did not have any more meetings because there was no funding to execute the projects. Mr. Garrard stated that the funding is now coming and they will resume having the meetings.

Councillor Mahern asked how many people are on the committee. Mr. Garrard stated that there are approximately 10 or 12 people on the committee.

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to send Proposal No. 199, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 6-1 with Councillor Abduallah casting the negative vote.

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 200, 2006</u> - reappoints Herb Bazemore to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to "Postpone" Proposal No. 200, 2006 until the next Public Works meeting. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 201, 2006</u> - reappoints Mark F. Remreich to the Marion County Stormwater Management Technical Advisory Committee

Mr. Remreich stated that he has served on the board for three years. He said that the committee got off to a slow start as the excluded cites had to make their appointments. He said a year ago the committee just stopped meeting with no explanation. He said that he would be glad to serve again but it would be pointless if the committee is not going to have meetings. Mr. Remreich said that this is a citizens advisory committee for DPW for the stormwater utility.

Councillor Moriarty Adams asked how soon it will be before the funding starts to come in. Mr. Garrard stated that the funding will come from the tax bills that go out every six months. He said that the bills are due in May, so the funding should come in around May 1, 2006. Mr. Garrard stated that there are about \$435 million worth of projectss storm and sanitary. Forty five million of this was stormwater projects, which are listed on DPW's website.

Glen Pratt, citizen, stated that money should be spent to fix the problem from start to finish by putting in sewers and taking care of the drainage at the same time.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to send Proposal No. 201, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 6-1 with Councillor Abduallah casting the negative vote.

PROPOSAL NO. 202, 2006 - reappoints Sue Schalk to the Board of Public Works

Chairman Conley stated that since this was a reappointment she did not need to be present.

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to send Proposal No. 202, 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 203, 2006</u> - authorizes 20-minute loading zones on the southwest quadrant of Monument Circle, on the south side of West Market Street from Monument Circle to North Illinois Street and on the west side of South Meridian Street from Monument Circle to West Washington Street (District 15)

Councillor Abduallah stated that he would like to introduce this proposal to have a 20 minute loading zone authorized for the southwest part of Meridian Street spoke of Monument Circle and on the westside spoke of Monument Circle. This is to allow some pedestrian "in and out" parking in spokes of Monument Circle with parking meters on the opposite side of the street. He said that this proposal needs to be amended to read this information.

Councillor Mansfield stated that this proposal should be postponed to re-work the language. This will give DPW an opportunity to review the proposal in more detail.

Councillor Keller stated that this causes conflict with the new loading zones that the Conrad Hotel has already.

Councillor Cain asked if this area would be a 20-minute parking zone with parking meters or if these areas would be 20-minute loading zones. Councillor Abduallah stated that there is a way to make this a 20-minute parking area for cars only.

Nathan Sheets, (DPW), stated that this proposal is not going to be as easy as making an amendment, because when DPW looks at a loading zone they have to take into consideration any parking meters that are involved. He said that there is also an existing loading zone in that area, as well as a special use loading zone that would be affected.

Councillor Mansfield said that some type of discussion needs to occur with DPW and Councillor Abduallah in order to get this proposal corrected.

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Moriarty Adams, to "Postpone" Proposal No. 203, 2006 until the next Public Works meeting. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

<u>PROPOSAL NO. 204, 2006</u> - authorizes the Department of Public Works to test new parking meter technology on designated City streets notwithstanding certain provisions of the Revised Code regarding parking meters (Districts 3, 15)

Victoria Cluck, DPW, stated that there are some new parking meters that are available to be tested here in Indianapolis. The new parking meters are called multi-bay meters, and these meters take cash or credit cards. She said there would be one meter per row; that all of the people that park in that row of spaces could pay for their individual space.

John Burkhardt, DPW, stated that there are two styles of meters. The first is the "pay by space meter", and all the existing spaces would continue to be in place. There is a defined parking space with some numbering system that will determine what space is paid. Mr. Burkhardt said that the other meter is called a "pay and display meter" and this meter would have a starting place and an ending place and have unmarked spaces between. A person would pay for the space. Mr. Burkhardt stated that if there is vehicle that would fit into that space then the driver of that vehicle is obligated to pay for that space. The meter would give a ticket and this ticket would have to be displayed in a visible spot on the vehicle.

Councillor Cain asked how to check how much time is left on the meter by the "pay by space meter." Mr. Burkhardt stated that on the pay by space meter you would have to check the time at the meter. On the "pay and display," the ticket would have the time on it.

Councillor Mansfield stated that she loves the concept of using the credit or debit cards. She asked if the meter for all the spaces would be confusing for people who are used to have a meter by each space. Ms. Cluck stated that is the main reason for the test, to learn the flaws and see if this system works.

Councillor Moriarty Adams asked what would happen if a person forgets to walk back to their car and put the ticket on the vehicle. Ms. Cluck stated that that person would get a parking

violation ticket. She added that there will be some Public Safety information officers that will do a very large public outreach campaign on the new parking meters.

Councillor Mahern asked how this would affect people with disabilities. Ms. Cluck stated that people with disabilities would still have their own individual parking meters in those designated areas.

Fred Lawland from Indianapolis Downtown Inc. (IDI) stated that IDI is very positive and anxious to test the two different types of meters.

Councillor Moriarty Adams moved, seconded by Councillor Mansfield, to send Proposal No. 204 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

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Mr. Sheets read the proposals and stated that all Councillors have signed off on each of them.

Councillor Mansfield moved, seconded by Councillor Cain, to send Proposal Nos. 205 through 217 2006 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Councillor Mansfield asked what the criteria is to determine when there should be no parking. Mr. Sheets stated that the first step is to have a petition signed by the people that would be affected. This petition needs to be signed by 75 percent of the people that would be affected.

Conclusion

There being no further business, and upon motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lonnell Conley, Chairman

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